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Holiday Greetings



We have much to be thankful for and reflect upon this holiday season. The tragedies of September 11, 2001, caused us all to pause and consider or re-evaluate our priorities. As a Nation, some of the things we enjoy and often take for granted are an abundant food supply, safety on our soil, and freedoms too numerous to mention. The aftermath of our Nation's most recent tragedy has brought us closer together and strengthened our resolve to make this country an even better place. We are now more appreciative of our liberties, share a bond that cannot be broken, and have a renewed sense of unity and determination.

From the Tennessee Agricultural Statistics Service (TASS) office staff and the core of interviewers who contact agricultural producers throughout the year, we wish you, your families, and your loved ones peace and joy during this holiday season.

The TASS staff extends our sincere appreciation for your support of our programs. Your assistance enables us to provide critical, reliable agricultural information in a free, open, and timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation with our surveys, the very foundation of the information we provide. We pledge our unbiased and sustained service to the Tennessee agricultural community.

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Sincerely,



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Cotton Ginnings: Running Bales Ginned(Excluding Linters) Prior to November 15, Crop Years 1998-2001

State	Running Bales Ginned			
	1998	1999	2000	2001
All Cotton				
AL	445,800	470,750	425,950	464,700
AZ	204,900	296,750	310,700	321,200
AR	1,153,400	1,345,450	1,348,650	1,480,600
CA	555,700	1,003,200	1,275,700	1,099,500
FL	54,450	71,700	64,900	73,850
GA	833,350	808,050	905,250	1,067,150
LA	643,500	899,200	893,500	927,750
MS	1,370,150	1,607,750	1,644,650	1,825,600
MO	332,750	444,400	478,400	551,200
NM	23,750	29,550	37,950	39,350
NC	771,300	297,250	687,600	741,550
OK	99,050	83,150	88,600	92,300
SC	271,850	148,000	232,600	259,400
Tennessee	512,500	557,950	673,350	771,350
TX	1,967,900	2,880,950	2,305,200	2,724,900
VA	125,450	61,450	73,450	82,300
US	9,365,800	11,005,550	11,446,450	12,522,200
Amer-Pima				
AZ ¹	5,050	---	---	5,900
CA	95,150	159,400	140,850	163,900
NM ¹	650	---	---	4,800
TX	8,250	15,400	12,000	17,150
US	109,100	183,250	158,850	191,750

¹ Not published to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in the U.S. totals.

Prices Received by Farmers: Tennessee and United States, November 2001, with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Tennessee			United States		
		November	October	November	November	October	November
		2000	2001 ¹	2001 ²	2000	2001 ¹	2001 ²
Dollars Per Unit							
Field Crops							
Winter Wheat	bu.	2.33	2.78	---	2.70	2.81	2.90
Corn	bu.	2.30	1.86	1.95	1.86	1.84	1.85
Cotton Lint	lb.	.551	.304	.271	.580	.345	.307
Cottonseed	ton	105.00	85.00	85.00	108.00	85.00	91.00
Soybeans	bu.	4.62	4.30	4.30	4.55	4.09	4.18
Livestock & Products							
All hogs	cwt.	35.50	---	---	36.80	40.50	34.90
Sows	cwt.	31.00	---	---	28.40	33.20	29.10
Barrow & gilts	cwt.	36.00	---	---	37.20	40.90	35.20
All beef cattle	cwt.	62.60	59.40	56.60	69.10	66.60	62.80
Steers/heifers	cwt.	81.00	75.00	71.00	73.80	70.20	66.60
Cows	cwt.	35.00	36.00	35.00	36.60	37.50	35.30
Calves	cwt.	96.00	84.00	81.00	106.00	99.20	96.20

¹ Entire month. ² Mid-month. ³ Based on purchases first half of month.

Tennessee Prices Received: Corn, Soybeans, by Month, for Marketing Years 1999-2001 ¹

Year	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan ²	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	MYA
Dollars Per Bushel													
Corn													
1999-2000	1.83	1.90	2.14	2.20	2.12	1.92	2.29	2.32	2.33	2.22	2.09	1.65	1.92
2000-2001	1.72	1.87	2.30	2.22	2.21	2.32	2.29	2.29	2.39	2.44	2.40	2.10	1.96
Soybeans													
1999-2000	4.64	4.61	4.59	4.42	4.70	5.06	5.14	5.28	5.30	5.04	4.74	4.64	4.69
2000-2001	4.79	4.61	4.62	4.97	4.89	4.61	4.52	4.42	4.49	4.60	5.17	5.05	4.69

¹ Marketing year is September-August. ² Second year.

October Egg Production Up 3 Percent: U.S. egg production totaled 7.33 billion during October 2001, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 6.24 billion table eggs and 1.09 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 61.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2001 averaged 336 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during October 2000. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,179 eggs, slightly above the 2,173 eggs in October 2000.

Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by State and United States, during October 2000-2001

Selected States	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 or more		All Layers ¹		Eggs per 100 for All Layers ¹	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
Thousands			Number			
Alabama	2,981	2,761	10,121	10,330	1,976	1,926
Arkansas	5,122	4,759	14,874	14,613	1,997	1,930
Georgia	11,806	12,005	20,636	21,896	2,035	2,064
North Carolina	3,580	3,300	10,984	11,170	1,875	1,952
All Other States ²	242,718	248,860	271,563	278,336	2,212	2,220
United States	266,207	271,685	328,178	336,345	2,173	2,179

¹ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size. ² Tennessee included in other states.

Livestock Slaughter: Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.26 billion pounds in October, up 4 percent from the 4.10 billion pounds produced in October 2000 and 164 million pounds above the previous record high set in 2000. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.16 million head, up 1 percent from October 2000. The average live weight was up 16 pounds from the previous year, at 1,247 pounds. Calf slaughter totaled 93,700 head, down 3 percent from October 2000. The average live weight was 5 pounds above last year, at 317 pounds. Hog kill totaled 9.33 million head, 5 percent above October 2000. The average live weight was 5 pounds above the previous year, at 267 pounds. Sheep slaughter totaled 288,500 head, 3 percent above last year. The average live weight was 137 pounds, up 3 pounds from October a year ago.

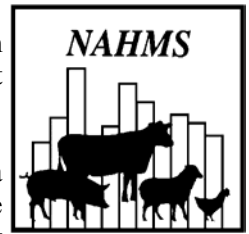
Livestock Slaughter¹: United States, October 2000 and 2001

Species	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
1,000 Head			1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
Cattle	3,141	3,161	3,867,204	3,942,113	1,231	1,247
Calves	97	94	30,252	29,722	312	317
Hogs	8,882	9,330	2,331,502	2,487,615	262	267
Sheep & lambs	279	289	37,349	39,630	134	137

¹ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter (excludes farm slaughter).

TASS to Conduct Health Survey on Local Dairies

Representatives from the Tennessee Agriculture Statistics Service (TASS) will visit our area dairies in January to conduct the initial survey for Dairy 2002, a national study of health and health management practices at U.S. dairies.



Conducted by the USDA's National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS), Dairy 2002 is a continuation of studies that address priority issues of the U.S. dairy industry. Preliminary data will be published by NAHMS in August 2002. Data collectors from TASS will begin the study by contacting about 100 dairy producers in the State. There were 95,000 milk cows on Tennessee farms on January 1, 2001 and sales of dairy products generated \$193 million in 2000, or 10 percent of the total farm cash receipts. The data collected is summarized and used in regional and national estimates.

Objectives of the study serve to:

- Describe management strategies that prevent or reduce the prevalence of Johne's Disease, and identify how these strategies have changed since 1996.
- Evaluate management factors associated with key food safety pathogens in U.S. dairy cattle.
- Describe the level of understanding and preparedness of U.S. dairy producers to respond to threats of foreign animal diseases.
- Describe bio-security practices and trends on U.S. dairy operations.
- Describe baseline dairy cattle health and management practices used on U.S. dairies and the changes in these practices since 1996.
- Describe animal waste handling systems used on U.S. dairies.
- Describe U.S. dairy producers' attitudes towards, and uses of, animal identification.

Selected producers may choose to receive an additional contact by a Veterinary Medical Officer from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service: Veterinary Services (APHIS:VS), who will explain the second phase of the study. Participation in the Dairy 2002 study is strictly voluntary. NAHMS data and operations where the data were collected are always confidential and not included in national databases.

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